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In the Claims:

46. (Amended) An assay for determining whether a subject has non-Hodgkins lymphoma comprising:

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- (a) incubating a sample of suitable body fluid from the subject with an antibody that binds to a polypeptide having the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:2, wherein the antibody is bound to a solid support;
 - (b) separating the sample from the support; and
 - (c) determining whether the polypeptide is bound to the antibody, the presence of polypeptide bound to the antibody indicating that the subject has non-Hodgkins lymphoma.

REMARKS

Claim 46-55 are pending in the subject application. Claim 47-55 are withdrawn. Claim 46 is under examination. By this Amendment, applicants have amended claim 46 to make certain minor changes. Accordingly, claim 46 is still under examination in the subject application.

Support for the addition of "polypeptide having the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:2" can be found, *inter alia*, at page 7, lines 30-31 of the specification. Applicants maintain that the changes to claim 46 raise no issue of new matter.

A marked up version of the amended claim is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.121.